

Hay:

Total TEU/FEU:

The numerator represents the total number of 40-foot equivalent unit (FEU) shipped, by all carriers, during October 2005. The denominator represents the total number of FEU shipped, by carriers, throughout the 2004 calendar year. Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS), Journal of Commerce, October 2005.

Market Share-October:

Each carrier's current market share is based on the number of containers shipped during October 2005. Source: PIERS, October 2005.

Market Share-CY 2005:

Each carrier's market share is based on the total number of containers shipped throughout the 2005 calendar year. Source: PIERS, 2005.

Transit Time:

Each carrier's transit time is calculated on departure from Oakland, CA unless otherwise noted. Source: "The Pacific Shipper On-Line", "The Shipping Guide on the Web" and individual shipping line websites.

Ocean Rates:

Ocean rates are applicable for December 31, 2005. Rates are per 40-foot container. Rates are quoted in U.S. dollars and represent container-yard to container-yard shipments. Source: Identified through the Descartes on-line rate tariff, PLUS Tariff retrieval systems, eztariff rate retrieval system, and individual shipping line websites.

Container Rate:

Container rates for Hay are quoted on full, 20 KT per 40-foot dry containers unless otherwise noted.

Definitions:

AI = All Inclusive

ARB = Arbitrary Charge

BAF(FAF) = Bunker Adjustment Factor is also known as fuel adjustment factor.

CAF = Currency Adjustment Charge

CFS = Container Freight Station - used to consolidate shipments.

Chassis = Chassis Surcharge

KT = 1,000 Kilograms (Metric Ton).

PC = Per Container

THC = Terminal Handling Charge, also known as Container Yard Charge (CY).

FEU = 40-foot Equivalent Unit (40-foot container).

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L.A./L.B./Oakland Ports To Busan, South Korea

Hay

Monthly Market Share For: October 2005

Month\Year: 294.0 \ 1,923.5 Surcharges: Market Transit Share Time Ocean **Container** Market CYShare in Days Rate Rate Carrier **BAF** CHASSIS CAF THC CFS Rec ARB Cotton R. Size Yang Ming 37% 33% 12 SAF Marine 17% 13% Hanjin 13% 11% 11 \$550 Meditteranean 12% 16% \$550 Hyundai 7% 12% 9 Maersk-SeaLand \$580 23 \$364 23 6% 2% 16 \$40 \$984 China Shipping 6% 1% 22 NYK Line 2% 0% 15 Madrigal 9% 25 0% Zim Line 0% 4% 33

Weighted Average Container Rate

\$700

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²³ Rate is based on a 20 foot container, not a 40 foot container.

L.A./L.B./Oakland Ports To Keelung/Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Hay

Monthly Market Share For: October 2005

Month\Year: 554.6 \ 4,209.6		Mankat	Transit										
Carrier	Market Share	Market Share CY	Time in Days	Ocean Rate	BAF	CHASSIS	CAF	ТНС	CFS Rec	ARB	Cotton R.	Size	Container Rate
Yang Ming	30%	31%	13										
Madrigal	26%	25%	16										
Maersk-SeaLand	25%	12%	21	\$520 ²³	\$364 ²³	\$40	5%						\$950
SAF Marine	5%	6%											
Evergreen	4%	4%	15										
Hyundai	3%	4%	15										
OOCL	3%	2%	13	\$950	\$455	\$40							\$1,445
cosco	2%	0%											
Hanjin	2%	2%	13										
NYK Line	1%	0%	12										
K Line	0%	5%	13	\$850	\$140	\$40							\$1,030
APL	0%	4%	16	\$2,215	\$455	\$40							\$2,710
Lloyd Trestino	0%	4%	15										

Weighted Average Container Rate

\$996

²³ Rate is based on a 20 foot container, not a 40 foot container.

L.A./L.B./Oakland Ports To Tokyo, Japan

Hay

Monthly Market Share For: October 2005

Month\Year: 840.0 \ 9,750.0					Surcharges:								
Carrier	Market Share	Market Share CY	Transit Time in Days	Ocean Rate	BAF	CHASSIS	CAF	ТНС	CFS Rec	ARB	Cotton R.	Size	Container Rate
MOL	26%	10%	10										
Maersk-SeaLand	26%	29%	13	\$480	\$455	\$40	50%						\$1,215
OOCL	15%	10%	9	\$961	\$455	\$40	50%						\$1,937
Yang Ming	11%	6%	10										
Hanjin	7%	3%	10										
cosco	5%	5%	12	\$1,485									\$1,485
Lloyd Trestino	4%	0%	12										
Hyundai	3%	2%	10										
Meditteranean	1%	29%		\$600									\$600
SAF Marine	1%	1%											
Hapag-Lloyd	1%	1%	11	\$914	\$455	\$40	50%						\$1,866
K Line													

\$1,455 Weighted Average Container Rate

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